SENATE BILL 1837

By Herron

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 64, Chapter 1, relative to the Beech River watershed development authority.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 64, Chapter 1, Part 1, is amended by adding the following as a new section:

64-1-105.

- (a) The board of directors of the authority is authorized, by majority vote, to create the position of Board Member Emeritus for the authority.
- (b) The position, if created, is intended to honor and benefit from the knowledge and experience of a qualified individual who has chosen to devote many years to public service and particularly to the Beech River watershed area.
- (c) The position of Board Member Emeritus shall be non-voting and in an advisory capacity but shall otherwise be considered a member of the board for purposes of notice of meetings, board discussion and planning. The Member Emeritus shall be reimbursed for actual travel expenses as provided in § 64-1-101(d).
- (d) If the authority creates the position of Board Member Emeritus, it shall then appoint, by majority vote, an Emeritus member. The qualifications for appointment to this position are:
 - (1) At least twenty-five (25) years of service, whether consecutive or not, as a member of the Board of Directors of the authority;

- (2) At least fifteen (15) years of service as the chairman of the authority;
- (3) At least ten (10) years of service in the Tennessee general assembly; and
- (4) At least (4) years of service as Speaker of either house of the Tennessee general assembly.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring

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